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1. ISSUE OF EXTENT OF FADEYEV'S MANDATE TO SPEAK FOR ALL CEMA COUNTRIES IN FORTHCOMING TALKS WITH EEC WAS NOT RPT NOT RESOLVED TO ROMANIA'S SATISFACTION AT JANUARY 21-23 CEMA EXCOM MEETING. ROMANIA'S CEMA REPRESENTATIVE (DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND PLANNING COMMITTEE HEAD) MIHAI MARINESCU, WHO ATTENDED MEETING, TOLD
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AMBASSADOR JAN. 28 THAT CEMA MEMBERS ARE STILL DISCUSSING AND

HAVE NOT YET AGREED ON SCOPE OF FADEYEV'S AUTHORITY IN TALKS. MARINESCU RE-ENUNCIATED ROMANIAN POSITION THAT ALL ACTIONS OF CEMA SECRETARIAT MUST BE APPROVED BY ALL CEMA MEMBERS, MAKING CLEAR THAT ROMANIA HAS NOT CONCURRED WITH GUIDELINES PROPOSED TO DATE FOR EC/CEMA TALKS. WHEN FADEYEV DOES MEET WITH EC REPRESENTATIVES, MARINESCU SAID, HE WILL SPEAK IN NAME OF CEMA BUT ON BASIS OF A MANDATE HE HAS NOT YET RECEIVED.

2. ASKED IF MODIFICATIONS TO CEMA CHARTER HAD BEEN PROPOSED TO FACILITATE RELATIONS WITH INTERNATIONAL ENTITIES SUCH AS EC, MARINESCU SAID HE WAS NOT AWARE OF ANY, NOR DID HE KNOW OF CZECHOSLOVAK ACTION, BUT SAID THAT SOME CHANGES MIGHT BE DISCUSSED AT A FUTURE CEMA COUNCIL MEETING. (WE HAVE SEEN NO INDICATION IN ROMANIAN PRESS OR PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS THAT SUCH CHANGES HAVE BEEN DEBATED HERE.) MARINESCU MADE CLEAR THAT ROMANIA DOES NOT INTEND ANY BLOC-TO-BLOC TALKS TO LIMIT ROMANIAN FLEXIBILITY IN DEVELOPING FUTURE RELATIONS WITH EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY.

3. MARINESCU'S COMMENTS WOULD INDICATE NO WEAKENING OF ROMANIA'S INDEPENDENT STANCE TOWARD CEMA. HE WARMED TO HIS TASK WHEN SPEAKING OF ROMANIA'S SUCCESSFUL STRUGGLE TO SHIFT TO AN INDUSTRIAL ECONOMY DESPITE BEING TOLD TO CONTENT ITSELF WITH AGRICULTURE, AND NOTED THAT QUOTE INTEGRATION UNQUOTE IN THE CEMA CONTEXT DOES NOT MEAN EXTERNAL CONTROL OVER A COUNTRY'S ECONOMIC PLANNING. WHILE ROMANIA FORESEES CONTINUED EXPANSION OF CEMA COOPERATION PROJECTS, HE SAID, FIRST PRIORITY MUST CONTINUE TO BE GIVEN TO THE NEEDS OF INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES (I.E. ROMANIA).

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